



The following minutes were taken at the regular meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen at 6pm on November 19, 2019, at the Town Hall in Abita Springs, Louisiana. Mayor Curtis called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Curtis opened discussion of Instrument 2019-012 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 9-223 YARDS AND ACCESSORY BUILDINGS IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS, RELATED TO LIMITATIONS ON ACCESSORY BUILDINGS, (c) (2) b. and d. and amendments. Ms. Contois expressed that she would like to see a change in the descriptive terms used for the different types of appurtenant structures. Additionally, the Board decided to include an amendment regulating the height of appurtenant structures with a maximum of 35' on properties of 2 acres or more.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1.) Mayor Curtis awarded Martha Gruning the Town of Abita Springs' Honorary Citizen of the Year Award. The Mayor thanked Ms. Gruning for her service. 2.) Mayor Curtis presented Eagle Scout Xavier Meyer with a proclamation expressing appreciation for his construction and installation of bat houses in the park and at the cemetery.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Contois, Murphy, Patterson, Randolph and Saussy were present. Mr. Saussy moved to accept the October 15, 2019 Town Council Meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Randolph. All were present and in favor. Ms. Contois moved to accept the September Financial Report seconded by Mr. Patterson. All were present and in favor.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion of amending Instrument 2019-012 included creation of a class of buildings as appurtenant structures and definitions of ancillary dwellings and accessory buildings. Amendments also addressed a maximum height for lots 2 acres and larger of 35'. Mr. Saussy made a motion to adopt the amendment as presented, seconded by Ms. Randolph. The vote was: Yeas: 5 Aldermen Contois, Murphy, Patterson Randolph and Saussy. Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0. Ms. Contois made a motion to adopt as amended INSTRUMENT 2019-012 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS TO AMEND SECTIONS 9-205, 9-215.2, 9-218, 9-222, 9-223, 9-224, 9-303, 9-403, 9-452, 9-501.1, 9-502, 9-701 AND 9-702 TO CREATE A CLASS OF BUILDINGS AS APPURTENANT BUILDINGS, TO CLARIFY THE USE AND DEFINITION OF ACCESSORY BUILDINGS AND ANCILLARY BUILDINGS AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS, seconded by Mr. Saussy. The vote was: Yeas: 5 Aldermen Contois, Murphy, Patterson Randolph and Saussy. Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1.) Mr. Patterson made a motion to introduce INSTRUMENT 2019-013, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020.

2.) INTRODUCE INSTRUMENT 2019-014, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 10-101(C) AND (E) AND ESTABLISH SUBSECTION (F) THEREOF TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE AUTHORITY AND COMPENSATION OF THE TOWN MARSHAL, APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MARSHALS AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

3.) INTRODUCE INSTRUMENT 2019-015, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON THE ZONING OF ANY LANDS AS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT; TO ESTABLISH A TIME PERIOD FOR SUCH MORATORIUM AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

4.) INSTRUMENT 2019-016, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS; TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY PERMITS BY THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OR DEVELOPMENT OF ANY LOTS WHICH ARE PART OF A RESUBDIVISION OF LAND CONSISTING OF MORE THAN TEN LOTS.

Alderman Saussy moved to adjourn the Town Council Meeting, seconded by Alderman Patterson.

MEETING ADJOURNED
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 19th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2019.

Janet Dufrene, Town Clerk

Honorable Daniel J. Curtis, Mayor